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SUMMARY. PRESS APRIL 6 BANNER HEADLINED SADAT SPEECH TO CONFERENCE ON MASS MEDIA. MAIN THEMES WERE: INITIATIVE REMAINS IMPORTANT; WILL CONTINUE WITH OR WITHOUT SADAT; GOE AND ISRAEL MUST SPEAK SAME LANGUAGE; ASWAN "FORMULA" ENDORSED; WEIZMAN WELCOME TO CAIRO IF HE HAS NEW IDEAS; EGYPT ACCEPTS ARAB SUMMIT ANYTIME.OR ANYWHERE. END
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SUMMARY.

1. IN BRIEF SPEECH TO THIRD WORLD CONFERENCE ON MASS MEDIA, SADAT MADE FOLLOWING POINTS:

-- INITIATIVE INTENDED GIVE NEW CONCEPT TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS TO BREAK PSYCHOLOGICAL BARRIERS.

-- ISRAELI SIDE HAS NOT RESPONDED; INITIATIVE STILL SIGNIFICANT BECAUSE WHOLE WORLD SUPPORTS IT.

2. IN QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION, SADAT MAINTAINED:

-- TWO SIDES STILL SPEAKING DIFFERENT LANGUAGES AND UNTIL COMMON LANGUAGE ACHIEVED THERE NO USE TALKING ABOUT ECONOMIC OR CULTURAL EXCHANGES.

-- WEIZMAN WELCOME "WHENEVER THERE ARE NEW IDEAS TO START WITH."

-- U.S. "FULL PARTY" AND "IMPORTANT" TO PEACE PROCESS.

(NOTE: ANSWER WAS IN REPLY TO QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER SADAT WOULD LIKE U.S. TO PRESENT COMPREHENSIVE PEACE PROGRAM.)

-- ON DURABILITY OF SADAT INITIATIVE, SADAT CLAIMED EGYPTIAN PEOPLE ARE FOR PEACE BUILT ON JUSTICE WHETHER "I AM HERE OR I AM OUT OF THE PRESIDENCY." INITIATIVE NOT PERSONAL IDEA BUT WILL OF PEOPLE. (NOTE: SADAT'S ANSWER CAME IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON FATE OF INITIATIVE IN EVENT SOMETHING HAPPENED TO PRESIDENT.)

-- ASKED ABOUT CARTER'S ASWAN ENUNCIATION OF PRINCIPLES AS FOUNDATION FOR TALKS, SADAT REPLIED "YES. I HAVE UNCLASSIFIED

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DECLARED THIS IN ASWAN AND I REITERATE ONCE AGAIN THAT THEY ARE ACCEPTABLE TO ME EITHER IN THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES OR IN THE WHOLE PEACE PROCESS." (NOTE: THIS IS FIRST TIME THAT SADAT HAS PUBLICLY AFFIRMED ASWAN FORMULA ACCEPTABLE.)

- . ON OFFERING COUNTERPROPOSALS. SADAT ANSWERED WE CANNOT SPEAK FOR PALESTINIANS. WE CAN ONLY PUT INTO DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES MAIN STRATEGY AGREED ON AT ARAB SUMMIT. PALESTINIANS MUST SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES IN WORKING OUT DETAILS.

-- ON ARAB SUMMIT, SADAT HAD NO OBJECTION TO SUMMIT ANYTIME, ANYWHERE. ARAB DISUNITY EXAGGERATED AND WHAT-EVER DIFFERENCES EXIST WILL NOT AFFECT ARABS' WILL FOR PEACE.

-- ON ISRAELI DEMONSTRATIONS, SADAT REPEATED "THEY ARE WISE."

-- ON BASIS FOR RENEWING TALKS, SAID RENEWAL MUST BE ON BASIS OF PRINCIPLES THAT THERE MUST BE NO TRESPASSING

ON OTHER'S TERRITORY OR VIOLATING OTHER'S SOVEREIGNTY.

-- ON BEGIN. SADAT HAD NO COMMENT WHEN ASKED IF BEGIN
AS OBSTACLE TO PEACE. EILTS

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